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RESPONSE

This paper is filed in response to the Office action mailed on July 25, 2006.

Review and reconsideration in light of the remarks below are requested.

Claims 1, 2, 4-14, 16, 28, 29, 39, 42 and 43 are rejected as defining obvious subject matter over Great Britain Patent No. 2,289,520 in light of the "Mouse Pad Calendar" web page print-out, and in light of U.S. Pat. No. 5,022,170 to House.

The Office action acknowledges that the GB patent and the Mouse Pad Calendar web page do not disclose an upper surface of each sheet being treated to have an anti-static electric property or a reduced static electricity charge. The Office action cites to the House reference as allegedly disclosing an anti-static top layer of a "mouse pad." The Office action then concludes that it would have been obvious to make each sheet of the mouse pad of the GB reference have